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H.B. No. 3567

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the composition of the structural pest control advisory  
3 committee.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 1951.101(a), Occupations Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The committee consists of nine members appointed by the  
8 commissioner as follows:

9 (1) [~~two members who are experts in structural pest~~  
10 ~~control application,~~

11 [~~(2)~~] three members who represent the public;

12 (2) three members [~~(3) one member from an institution~~  
13 ~~of higher education who is knowledgeable in the science of pests and~~  
14 ~~pest control,~~

15 [~~(4) one member~~] who represent [~~represents~~] the  
16 interests of structural pest control operators and who are [~~is~~]  
17 appointed based on recommendations provided by a trade association  
18 of operators; and

19 (3) three members [~~(5) one member~~] who represent  
20 [~~represents~~] the interests of structural pest control operators and  
21 who are experienced in the area of integrated pest management  
22 programs in schools [~~consumers, and~~

23 [~~(6) the commissioner of state health services or the~~  
24 ~~commissioner's designee~~].

1 SECTION 2. Section 1951.103(b), Occupations Code, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 (b) A person may not be a member of the committee if:

4 (1) the person is an officer, employee, or paid  
5 consultant of a Texas trade association in the field of pest control  
6 except as provided by Section 1951.101(a)(2) [~~1951.101(a)(4)~~]; or

7 (2) the person's spouse is an officer, manager, or paid  
8 consultant of a Texas trade association in the field of pest  
9 control.

10 SECTION 3. Section 1951.101(c), Occupations Code, is  
11 repealed.

12 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act in the  
13 qualifications of members of the structural pest control advisory  
14 committee do not affect the entitlement of a member serving on the  
15 committee immediately before the effective date of this Act to  
16 continue to serve for the remainder of the member's term. As the  
17 terms of committee members expire, the commissioner of agriculture  
18 shall appoint or reappoint a member who has the qualifications  
19 required for a member under Section 1951.101(a), Occupations Code,  
20 as amended by this Act.

21 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
25 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.